

COURT. Citizens Had Lawyers. GO TO-NIGHT. How the McKinley President Waiting for the Inquiry Report. TO BE KEPT SECRET Until Washington Authorities Learn the Verdict. Naval Officer on His Way from Key West to the National Capital—The Brazilian Warship Coming—Spanish Spirit Ugly. DEATH RECORD. FUEL. Dora E. Tuik died at her home near Long Creek at 12 o'clock Monday night. Her death was caused by consumption, with which she had suffered for years. She was 23 years old. She leaves four brothers, Burr, Elmer, Roy and Leslie, and two sisters, Mrs. C. E. France of Lake City and Miss Ella Tuik of Long Creek. The funeral was held at 11 o'clock this morning from North Fork church. Rev. A. M. Danley conducted the services. The interment was at North Fork cemetery.

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Washington, March 17.—President McKinley expects the report of the Maine board of inquiry tomorrow or the next day. It may even now be on the way from Key West to Washington. When the board arrived at Key West yesterday it reported to Admiral Sigsbee. The latter promptly communicated with the secretary of the navy. It was the secretary's purpose to have Admiral Sigsbee make a full synopsis of the court's conclusions in cipher and telegraphed to Washington. On consultation with the president the plan was abandoned. Both the president and secretary determined not to risk having the contents of the court's report known until they were ready to give it publicity, so it was decided not to send a cipher telegram. Admiral Sigsbee therefore was instructed to place the court's finding in the custody of a naval officer to bring them to Washington. Whether this officer has started or is not yet known, but he is probably among them on his way here.

Our New Warship.

London, March 17.—The warship Amazon will be formally transferred to the United States tomorrow. Lieutenant Commander Colwell, the United States naval attaché here, will receive the ship from the Brazilian commander. The crew of the Amazon will then be transferred to the Amazon. The Brazilian flag will then be hoisted on board the Brazilian flag. The Amazon will then be hoisted on board the Brazilian flag. The Amazon will then be hoisted on board the Brazilian flag.

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that the Maine was destroyed by a mine or torpedo or by any hostile agency, the Spanish government would be responsible.

“It is to be assumed that such hostile agency was without the privity of that government, otherwise, of course, the destruction of the Maine was an act of war. But hostile agency in which the government was not implicated, nevertheless, would have been able to succeed only by reason of the confidence reposed in the protection of a friendly power. It would be the duty of the Spanish government then to detect and punish the guilty parties and to make ample reparation to the United States.

“Such reparation would hardly be complete in the payment of money damages for the ship and for the families of the dead. There would remain the question of the grave insult to the flag. The United States would be warranted in insisting on a measure of reparation which would render the recurrence of such an act very unlikely. Yours very truly, Henry Pratt Judson, Professor of International Law, the University of Chicago.”

THREATS OF SPANISH PRESS.

War Promised if the United States Sends an Ultimatum.

Madrid, March 17.—El Correo has quoted the following from the Correspondencia Militar, under date of March 3: “Raising its voice the Yankee government already speaks of ultimatums and declarations of war. They judge the spirits of the Spanish people by the dabbles of her rulers, and insult one or the other with the insolence of a bully in front of a weakling incapable of self defense. This is a great mistake the North

American republic commits.

“If our government commits the indignity of even considering the payment of the indemnity with which we are threatened, if an ultimatum be sent and is made public, then will come the explosion, and there will then be no way of avoiding war, for the glove will not be picked up by the government, but by the people of Spain, by the army, by the live forces of the country, by all who represent anything in the nation.”

“That,” says El Correo, “is our opinion, too. And we furthermore think the live forces of the country should not go to sleep. For the Correspondencia Militar is right in supposing the United States will send us an ultimatum that they will demand an indemnity, and that the government will swallow its pride and pay up. Therefore, the glove already lies handy for picking up.”

BRUCE IS DEAD.

Born a Virginia Slave He Became a Leader of His Race.

Washington, March 17.—Hon. Blanche K. Bruce, register of the treasury, died this morning. Death has been expected for several days, from a complication of stomach troubles. He was born a slave to Virginia 57 years ago. Having secured the rudiments of an education from the tutor of his master's son, he studied at Oberlin and entered politics in Mississippi. He held various public offices, including United States senator. Next to Fred Douglass, he was considered the foremost negro in the country.

Letters of Administration.

In the county court today Mary Lorett applied for letters of administration for the estate of John Millhorn, deceased. The petition was granted.

NEW OFFICE ROOMS.

Shelley Bros. and E. L. Pogram Get More Elbow and Desk Space.

Shelley Bros., lawyers, and E. L. Pogram, loan broker, who have their offices in the Citizens' National bank building, are making some alterations in their office rooms. The Shelley Brothers, who occupy the west rooms, on the second floor, will add the room next east to their consultation room, and Mr. Pogram will join the room west of his office rooms to

KLONDIKE AND CUBA.

Instructive and Entertaining Evening with Journalist Shields.

The unique and instructive entertainment given at the Grand last night by Edward Shields, the Alaskan explorer and journalist, attracted an audience which was thoroughly pleased, feeling that it was indeed a treat to be privileged to look upon the splendid pictures of the Klondike country, showing points of special interest and picturing the trials and struggles of the brave argonauts. Mr. Shields, who has been over Chilkoot Pass several times, personally conducted the exhibition and gave a very interesting story of the country, the resources of the rich districts and of the people. It was just like going over the entire route in comfort. The views were the finest ever shown on canvas in Decatur. The Cuban pictures were splendid, and the patriotic sentiments expressed by Mr. Shields caused considerable enthusiasm. The special and descriptive songs by Charles H. Whiting, the popular baritone vocalist, and Helen Lamar's illustrated recitations were special features of the highly meritorious entertainment.

All Right This Year.

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ELECTION NEWS TONIGHT.

Returns Will be Received at Republican Office Promptly.

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his This will make two suits of three rooms each on the second floor of that building instead of three suits of two rooms each, as formerly. The rooms will be repaired and fitted up in style. Mr. Pogram will use the middle rooms as a general office and the other two as private business rooms. The Shelley Brothers will use the room which has been their private consulting room as a general office and the west room as a library. The east room will hereafter be used as the private consulting room.

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HAPPY BRIDE

Sensation for the Chicago Friends of Twin Son.

WEDDED OUT WEST

Palace Car Magnate's Son a Proud Benedict.

Young Woman a Poor Girl but a Beauty—What Next?—Murder and Suicide at Napa, California—A Mystery.

San Francisco, Cal., March 17.—Walter Sanger Pullman, one of the twin sons of the late palace car magnate of Chicago, late yesterday in the rectory of Trinity church at Oakland with only the pastor's wife and one of her friends as a witness, married Miss Louise Lander West of this city. The bride is a daughter of a California 49er, of great beauty, but poor, having to support herself by teaching school. The young couple had been acquainted only a few weeks.

Murder and Suicide.

Napa, Cal., March 17.—Julian Ban and Miss Volecia Cella went out driving. Afterward their horse came back, drawing the buggy, in which lay the dead body of Miss Cella. She had been shot. A searching party found Ban a body lying by the roadside. It is supposed he killed the girl and then suicided. Cause unknown.

A MAN OF IRON NERVE.

Charley Stookey Stands Firm While Two Fingers were Amputated.

This morning about 11 o'clock while attending to the repressing of brick at the old Mattes brick yard, east of the city, Charley Stookey had his hand caught in the machinery and the middle and ring finger of his left hand were torn off between the first and second joints.

The accident was a very painful one and would have caused most men to lose their nerve entirely, but Mr. Stookey showed great presence of mind in his actions immediately after the accident occurred. He went without assistance to the office of Dr. W. B. Hostetter, where he held out his injured hand and never uttered a groan while the surgeon amputated the fingers. He took the misfortune with cool resignation, saying that he supposed the fingers would have to come off and the quicker it was done the better. He refused to be put under the influence of chloroform. Mr. Stookey will have to remain idle six weeks or two months.

THE DEATH RECORD.

MADISON D. PHILLIPS

Madison D. Phillips died of Bright's disease at 3:30 p. m. yesterday at his home on East Carroll street, aged 68 years. He is survived by four children. The funeral will be held at 11 o'clock Friday morning from the Salem church.

FUNERAL OF MRS. HALL

The funeral of the late Mrs. Daniel A. Hall was held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning from the Shady Grove church. The services were conducted by Rev. Bankson. The pall bearers were as follows: Henry Shaffer, Melvin Falconer, Lee Price, John Price and Albert and Frank Cornthwaite.

Bold for Alderman

Through the solicitation of many friends William Bold has consented to again become a candidate for alderman in the Fourth ward, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. Mr. Bold has made a faithful and efficient member of the council during the past two years, and the Fourth ward voters want to send him

Her Forbidding Ancestor.

BY HOWARD MARKLE HOKE.

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PART I.

Fanny was a direct descendant of the Tynes. I had no particular interest in her good forefathers, but I thought my interest in her was the most momentous thing in the world. I was fated, however, to have a lively interest in a deceased Tynes, and it came about in this way:

Fanny lived at Tynepoint, twenty miles from the city, in the old homestead with her father and her Aunt Coriantha. I lived in the city, and was so busy from Monday morning until Saturday night that my hours with Fanny were far fewer than I liked and very far fewer than I hoped she liked. My object in going out to see her every Sunday noon was to make, if possible, a long Sabbath afternoon of our lives. Most people say if you love a girl and want to find out if she loves you, ask her. But there was the rub; and that is what made me so interested in a departed Tynes.

The homestead, an ancient colonial mansion, had a peculiarly depressing effect upon me. Perhaps this was due to my anxiety as to the state of Fanny's affections; perhaps to the dyspepsia that was closely intermingled with it. At any rate, every thing about the place made me very sensitive. Around the big parlor hung portraits of the Tynes, all in walnut frames and watched over by Aunt Coriantha as if they were children. The only admirable thing I saw about these ancestors was that they were the causes that had produced so exquisite an effect as Fanny.

Over the wooden mantel hung the portrait of the Tynes I was to be interested in. It was more than a hundred years old, and was painted so that the eyes looked straight at an observer, wherever he might stand in the room. I had paid no special attention to this fact before one Sunday night when Fanny and I were alone in the parlor. Our affair had been going on then for fully seven months, and I felt reasonably certain that it had passed the period when at least an effort to discover my standing would be premature. I had endured some thirty intervals from Sunday night until the next Sunday noon in twice that number of kinds and degrees of anxiety, and I could not face the thirty-first without some hope.

I began by calling Fanny's attention to the length of our friendship, and I was just about to make a frank declaration of my love when I happened to look up and found the eyes of the Tynes over the mantel looking straight at me; not looking in the placid, unmeaning way of a portrait, but forbidding me, as plainly as the eyes of a person could, to make my declaration. I tried to resent the interference of a man who could not be hurt or helped by my success or failure, whose state could not be changed by either, and who could have no valid objection to my suit; but it was useless. The face was commanding, and around the thin lips I plainly saw the contempt a Tynes would have for a coward.

Fanny was looking at me. I thought expectantly, even encouragingly, but I could not say the words any more than if I had forgotten them. I suppose I got pale, for Fanny asked:

"Why, Ellen, what is the matter?"

"I feel ill all of a sudden," I answered desperately, for I would not have told her of my weakness for worlds.

"Perhaps you have been working too hard."

"I'm afraid I have, but I feel all right now. Don't think any more about it. By the way," I broke in upon myself, as if I only wished to call her mind from the subject, "whose portrait is that over the mantel?"

To my surprise she grew agitated, blushed curiously, and inquired:

"Why do you ask?"

"Well, I—I just happened to remember I had never asked about him. In fact, I'm afraid I haven't paid enough

young men killed themselves. It is a dreadful story, and I wish Aunt Coriantha would not keep him in so conspicuous a place, for I hate him."

Could lover have had a better opportunity? Her voice was full of scorn for a man who opposed marriage. What clearer deduction than that she was heartily in favor of a young man who ardently desired it. I ardently desired it, but I could not tell her so any more than if I had not. Bartholomew's eyes were fastened upon me, contempt curled his thin lips, and he was threatening all manner of things if I disobeyed.

I raged inwardly at my weakness, and just when I thought Fanny was trying to help me out, I discovered that it was my train time, and I was compelled to go my way.

I thought the situation over going down. It was certain that Fanny approved a man who favored marriage, but was I the particular young man who favored marriage that she approved? That was the prime question. My first thought was to go to her father and tell him frankly about the unheard-of obstacle; but I remembered that he had inherited the Tynes' steadiness of gaze, and while I had yet seen nothing forbidding in it, he had not treated me with that cordiality which would have eased an approach to him. This, however, did not worry me. If I were Fanny's choice, I had abiding faith in her powers of persuasion. It was hard luck, though, that Bartholomew Tynes should interfere. It was posthumous impertinence. What business was it of his? But, his business or not, he was interfering and with grave chance of success.

Then there was Braxton. He was a Tynepoint youth who openly admired Fanny. I did not recognize him as a rival, for the idea of a Braxton aspiring to a Tynes was not to be thought of by anyone—that is, anyone of my sentiments. I did recognize the fact, however, that he had one advantage. He was a stalwart fellow who could not have told what nerves and dyspepsia were without looking into a doctor's book. Bartholomew Tynes's eyes would no more have deterred Braxton than a knot in the waistcoat in Fanny's parlor. What if she should discover this difference in her suitors? I shivered when the situation reduced itself to this awful simplicity. I dared not propose to Fanny, and I dared not tell her why.

I shall not attempt to tell how I suffered during the next week. The worst of it was that I suffered alone, not being brave enough to confide in anyone; for no one would have anything but ridicule for a young man who would let a pair of eyes counterfeited in paint keep him from telling his love. The next Sunday came at last, however, and I went to Tynepoint on the fastest train. Fanny was in the parlor, and after greeting her, my eyes turned slowly toward Bartholomew. His gaze was fastened upon me, and, it eyes ever spoke, his said "Don't you dare, you coward."

I did not dare, but an idea struck me. I would get Fanny out for a walk. The day was rather inclement, but she was glad to go. I started in high hopes of getting the better of Bartholomew, but I soon found a new phase of the difficulty. I observed a great change in Fanny. Previously I had thought she tried, modestly, of course, to make matters easy for me; now she talked of everything but our relations; and if our talk drifted toward the subject, she abruptly changed the course. If I tried to force the conversation I was compelled to stop. I knew what stopped me—the mere recollection of Bartholomew Tynes's eyes. But what had come over Fanny? Was it possible that she, too, was affected by the eyes? We finished our walk, went back to the parlor, sat all evening together, and when my train time came I was certain of only one thing: Fanny's manner toward me had changed. But was this due to Bartholomew or—Braxton?

About the middle of the week an idea flashed out of my cloudy sky. That idea was represented by Wellington Tull, a young portrait painter, and I went to his studio with all possible haste. Fortunately he was alone.

"Mr. Tull, we have a portrait in our family," I said, not considering this altogether untruthful in view of my hopes, "that I want you to change."

"What is the change you wish made?" he asked.

"I want the eyes changed so they will look toward the right."

I said "right," because Fanny and I always sat in the end of the parlor that was to Bartholomew's left,—that is, we were always sitting there when there was likely to be a proposal—and I thought that if I could compel Bartholomew to cast his forbidding looks at a high, old-fashioned bookcase, and not at the sofa, we could speedily come to an understanding.

"Is it an old picture?"

"Yes, very old."

"I ask because it is much harder to change an old portrait. If you wish me to do the work you must take the consequences of the appearance of fresh paint on an old picture."

"To be sure," I replied.

I said this bravely, but the word "consequence" set me to thinking so-

riously. What would Aunt Coriantha say to this sacrilege? She did not altogether approve of me. I knew that; but would she not actively oppose me to the bitter end? But I determined to risk her anger and everything else, satisfied that my plan was the only one to let me out of my dilemma. Suppose Fanny wanted me badly; ought I to allow Bartholomew Tynes or Aunt Coriantha or any danger to myself to keep me away from her and thus break her heart? My negative was mighty and heroic.

But how could I get the portrait? Aunt Coriantha watched over the pictures like a hen over chicks. All manner of plans suggested themselves, and I had about decided to go boldly to Tynepoint, some night, break into the house and steal the picture, when Fate came to my aid in the shape of a note from Fanny. It read:

"My Dear Ellen: 'Michael and Betty, our man and maid servant, have given us notice for some unaccountable reason, and will leave us on Saturday. Papa, Aunt Coriantha and I shall go to the city on that day and remain over Sunday, to find servants to take their places. I shall hope to see you in the evening at our usual hotel.'"

My heart bounded. This made the matter easy. I would take a train for Tynepoint about the same time they would leave for the city; I would break



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into the ancient homestead; I would rip Bartholomew from the wall; I would bring him back to Wellington Tull; return with him on Sunday afternoon—and get back both evenings in time to be with Fanny.

I wrote her I was delighted, and would do myself the honor of taking the three to the theatre on Saturday evening. She accepted this invitation on Saturday morning.

Provided with a dark lantern, plenty of matches, a strong rope to tie around Bartholomew so as to carry him more easily, I took a train Saturday evening at 4:30 to begin my career as a burglar. It was quite dark when I arrived at Tynepoint. I stole down an unlighted street and safely reached the house. I stopped somewhat irresolutely in the grounds. I could not help thinking what Braxton would say if he knew what I was doing. I could fancy his laugh at the idea of anyone being kept from proposing by the eyes of a portrait, and roaring over that person's breaking into a house to get it. The house, too, was solemn and deserted, and I felt a trifle scared at the thought of going into it alone, but a recollection of my awful plight as a lover restored my courage.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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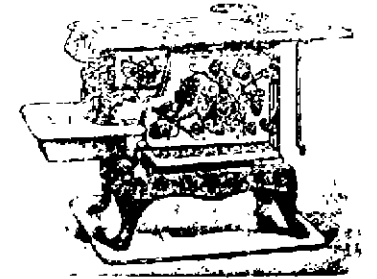
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WEATHER.

Chicago March 17—Illinois: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday, with colder in the extreme south tonight; fresh northerly winds.

A good many Illinois congressmen are declining to stand for congress this fall. If war with Spain were to come in the next 90 days some of them would probably change their minds.

Young James G. Blaine is about to marry a sculptor. In that case he may manage to procure an enduring monument to himself, providing he doesn't appeal to the divorce court as he did in case of his former marriage.

Spain is talking about carrying on a guerrilla warfare against the United States in case of hostilities between the two countries, but that country has evidently not figured on the fact that in such an event Spain would probably be wiped off the map as a sovereignty.

Advices from China show that the silver dollar which was by imperial decree of 1890, made current money throughout the empire, is becoming extremely unpopular and untransferrable because of fluctuation in the price of silver, its value, of course, being determined merely by the market price of the silver which it contains. The same reports indicate that China is rapidly advancing toward a condition at which she will follow the steps of Japan by the adoption of the gold standard.

Sound money Democrats in various parts of the country are preparing for an active and vigorous fight against free silver and fusion. The Indiana wing of the sound-money party has already taken steps in favor of independent action, and the Iniquitous club of Chicago, is to hold a banquet April 23, with the purpose of rallying the sound money Democrats of the country and urging either independent action or co-operation with the Republican party in favor of sound-money and national honor in national finance.

Col. Warner's Contest.

The heat of the congressional contest among the republicans in Col. V. Warner's district is now centered in Champaign county. John A. Sterling of McLean county, who carried his county and is contesting the nomination with Mr. Warner, the present member, has been spending a week in Champaign county, and has made some headway, but the advent of Patrick Richards of Urbana, into the race has somewhat interfered with Sterling. Richards has secured the delegation from his own town, Warner has the delegation from Ogden, Judge F. M. Wright of Urbana has the delegation from Toluca, and two other delegations are appointed without instructions. Twenty-one towns will hold their primary meetings next Saturday, and at that time the status of his county will be settled. If it goes for Richards, as his friends claim it will, the fight will be a three-cornered one to the end. Richards is president of the First National Bank of Urbana, a native of Utica, N. Y., and came to Toluca, Champaign county, when he was 19 years old.

Sugar Trust Not Beneficial.

The assertion made by this paper immediately after the passage of the Dingley act that the rise in sugar stock which was coincident with the passage of that act, was not due to any permanent advantages gained by the trust through the enactment of the law, is fully vindicated. A careful examination of the records of the sugar trust shows that the stock, which advanced rapidly during the closing days of the Dingley bill, and went still higher after that bill became a law, has now fallen to a point lower than that which it had reached at various times prior to the framing of that act and even to the election of the congress which framed it.

The theory advanced in these columns immediately after the enactment of the new tariff measure was that the temporary advance in sugar trust stock, which oc-

curred simultaneously with the completion of that bill, was due simply to the fact that the trust had imported more than half a year's supply of sugar just before the enactment of the law and that upon all of that great stock of sugar it would obtain a profit equal to the increased rates of duty imposed by the new law.

To those who were familiar with the fact that the trust had more than 700,000 tons of raw sugar in stock when the law went into effect, it was quite apparent that the trust would be in a position to pay high dividends during the months in which it would make its increased profits on that sugar. These months are now past, the stock of sugar has been sold and eaten, and the profits absorbed by the trust and paid out in dividends, and as a result the people who were six months ago willing to pay high prices for sugar trust stock are now only willing to pay the normal rate which obtained prior to the enactment of the law, since they know that the special supply of sugar on which those large profits were to be made, has disappeared and that the claim that the trust gained any permanent advantage under the new law was an entirely erroneous one.

The mere fact that the stock which advanced to such a high point when the large supply of sugar had been laid in and the exact form of the new law was known, has fallen to its normal price as soon as this extra supply of sugar has been disposed of, is an evidence that the high rate coincident with the passage of the Dingley law was a merely temporary one produced by temporary causes. But there is still stronger evidence in the fact that while sugar trust stock has been falling since the supply of sugar then in hand disappeared, other stocks have advanced. A list has recently been published showing 30 stocks of leading organizations, such as American Express, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R., Illinois Steel Co., Western Union Telegraph Co., Edison Electric Co., Consolidated Gas Co., etc., all of which have advanced from five to 25 per cent during the very time that the sugar trust stock has been falling 20 per cent. False assertions for political purposes are sometimes easy, but they do not pay when the opportunity to show the falsity of the assertion is likely to come as soon as this one has come with reference to the charge that the Dingley bill was framed in the interests of the sugar trust.

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We are showing the new spring blocks in all dimensions in Stiff Hats. We are for the celebrated "Langley" and "er" in Blacks, Seal Browns, French Cuba, Sable and Otter.

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FINE CLOTHING CO., 49 N. Water St., Next to Bradley Bros.

in Toe Tan Shoes \$1.00 'OWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

Misses' Kid Pat. Leather trimmed, Lace or Button, Coin Toe, Spring Style, \$1.00, In POWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

Pat. Leather, Cloth top, Lace, \$2.50 grade, reduced to \$1.39 'OWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

Ladies' Green Shoes, \$3.00 Grade, Reduced to \$1.70, In POWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

an Shoes, \$1.75 grade, Re- to \$1.19, 'OWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

Ladies Oxblood Bulldog Toe Shoes, \$3.00 kind, Reduced to \$2.00, In POWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

an Strap Slippers, Pontiac \$1.50 value, 75c, 'OWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

Ladies' Bicycle Boots, \$2.00, Spring Styles, In POWERS' BARGAIN BASEMENT.

THE MURDER TRIAL

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of the statements were true. Heard probably three or four different men make statements as to who killed McKinley. I don't know anything about it and did not form any opinion from what I heard. Was never connected with any criminal case. In favor of capital punishment in some cases.

At noon court adjourned until 1:30 p.m.

Afternoon Session.

There was quite a large attendance at trial this afternoon. When court convened Attorney Buckingham said he would call for cause C. F. Miller, who he examined in the forenoon. The judge asked what the cause was and the attorney said it was because he didn't want the man Mr. Miller was excused. Then Sloan was next called and Mr. J. Buchanan asked him if he worked at the water works and why the water was so muddy and why he didn't put more lime in it. Mr. Sloan said that the water was just a little thicker than usual. Mr. Sloan had an opinion and was challenged for cause.

Thomas Pentwell was also challenged for cause having an opinion. The others examined were as follows:

W. W. Blackley of Illinois—Had an opinion as to the guilt or innocence of Maury, based on what he had read and heard. Read affidavits and statements published in the newspapers and believed them to a certain extent to be true. Thought a good deal about it and have reached an opinion and discussed it with some several times. Challenged for cause.

John Patterson of Austin township—Had about the case and read some about it in newspapers. Believed the statements to be true but did not form any opinion as to who killed McKinley. Did not know Maury or his father. Did not know Farnoe. Not well acquainted with Mr. Miller, Mr. Crea or Mr. Le for, etc. did not know Mat McKinley. Never heard my father say whether or not he thought Maury was guilty, nor never heard anyone else express any opinion. Do not know McWhitney nor Mrs. Showers. Have no desire to see a man convicted just because he was indicted. If taken as a juror would not want Maury convicted unless he was guilty. Could start in the case considering Maury as being innocent until he was proven guilty. Would acquit the accused unless he was proven guilty beyond a doubt. Have not the slightest prejudice against Maury and if taken as a juror could try the case fairly and impartially.

C. D. Nowlin was excused by agreement. Edward Parker and William Ryan were challenged for cause. G. W. Soland was peremptorily challenged by Mr. Buckingham. James A. Wilson and Edward Yantis were examined as to their qualifications.

Mr. Buckingham peremptorily challenged John Patterson and he was excused.

Mr. DeForge announced that one of the jurors, L. J. Pasley, was related to the accused and asked permission to interrogate him. Pasley said Joe Maury's wife was his second cousin and he was challenged for cause and excused. This left eight accepted by both sides.

Wednesday Afternoon.

No more jurymen were secured after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, but when time for adjournment came four had been accepted by the defense. They were Asa Clother of Decatur, Jacob Hanes of Decatur, Harvey Albright of Oakley and W. B. Huffaker of Decatur. These were tendered to the prosecution and Mr. Albright was excused. S. M. Holmes was selected as a juror to take charge of the four jurymen who had been chosen.

Those who were examined Wednesday afternoon after 3 o'clock were as follows: S. P. Hite George Thomas, J. W. Kelly, Charles E. Lindsay, S. A. Thrift, George M. L. Charles Duolan, Henry Ernest, E. A. Miller, W. B. Huffaker.

AUSTIN TICKET.

Names of the Candidates Selected at the Primaries Held Yesterday.

The Republican primaries in Austin township were held yesterday and the returns were as follows:

Supervisor—W. L. Gaines.
Treasurer—L. E. Rogers.
Assessor—L. O. Davis.
Collector—L. E. Davis.
Commissioner of Highways—Aaron Potter.

School Trustees—C. H. Griffin, C. C. Gable—John Kerwood.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for wood pumps, iron lift pumps, force pumps, chain pumps and pump repairing.—Mar. 14 & 15.

Gentlemen,

Now is the time to hunt up your last year's spring suit of clothing or spring overcoat and take your clothing to Miller's Steam Dye Works, 145 North Main street. Soiled and faded out suits and overcoats can be re-dyed, cleaned, pressed and repaired to look equal to new by H. H. Miller & Bro., Decatur's leading experts, dyers and dye cleaners. Call and see our work. Dye Works and Office, 145 N. Main street.

QUEER COBBLER'S SHOP.

It is Located in an Old Horse Car in San Francisco.

The strange uses to which abandoned street cars are put are many indeed, but one of the oddest of them all is the fate which has befallen an old horse car in San Francisco. All day long the rat-tat-tat of the hammer is heard from within as the industrious shoemaker plies his calling, for the car has become a shoe shop, thoroughly equipped.

The interior of the car illustrates the ingenuity of the cobbler and is in itself a lesson in the economy of space. The seat at one side has been removed, and in its place is a tiny showcase



IN THIS OLD CAR JOHN WACHSTAHL MENDS SHOES.

two-thirds of the length of the car, in which samples of the shoemaker's skill are displayed. This shoe case is about 14 inches wide and nine feet in length. The cobbler's wares make a capital showing, the case itself is polished as neat as a new pin, and the shoes give evidence of a master hand. From one corner to a distance of about five feet part of the seat on the other side remains. Near the center, hollowed out, is the seat where the shoemaker sits and mends or makes his shoes. It is a gem of a cobbler's bench, and the shoemaker, John Wachstaahl, American born in spite of his Teutonic name, declares it to be the most comfortable shoe shop in all San Francisco. "Where," he says, "can you find a place where one can do so much and have everything so handy?" And indeed it is true, for John has his lures

and penates grouped around him in a very handy fashion. The equipment of the shop forms the shoemaker's lures and penates for the reason that here is his household. By means of an ingenious contrivance at the end of the car, directly opposite the entrance at one side, a comfortable bed lets down from the side of the car, and it is in this that John seeks the society of the sandman. Neither chick nor child has he, and yet he is as merry as the day is long, whistling and singing and keeping time with his music to the clatter of his hammer.

Many people are attracted by this strangest of all shoe shops and the result is, John being a good workman, that he has an excellent trade and a balance in the bank. "This car was

left here by accident one day," said he, "and as I happened to pass this way I saw it. I had been intending to start in business for myself for quite a little while and the old car gave me thought that perhaps there was a chance to make a little money by starting a shoe shop in a queer place. "So I took to the car and the car took to me, and we have been faithful friends ever since. I make a good living and people treat me nicely in the way of custom. The car is as comfortable as it can be. You see I have a chimney," pointing to the pipe which made its exit through the roof, the other and finding lodgment in a tiny stove, "and on this stove I can cook all I need. Sometimes I want a big dinner I go to some place and eat one, but most always this is good enough for me."

THE BIGGEST IRON PIPE.

It is More Than Seventy-Six Inches in Diameter.

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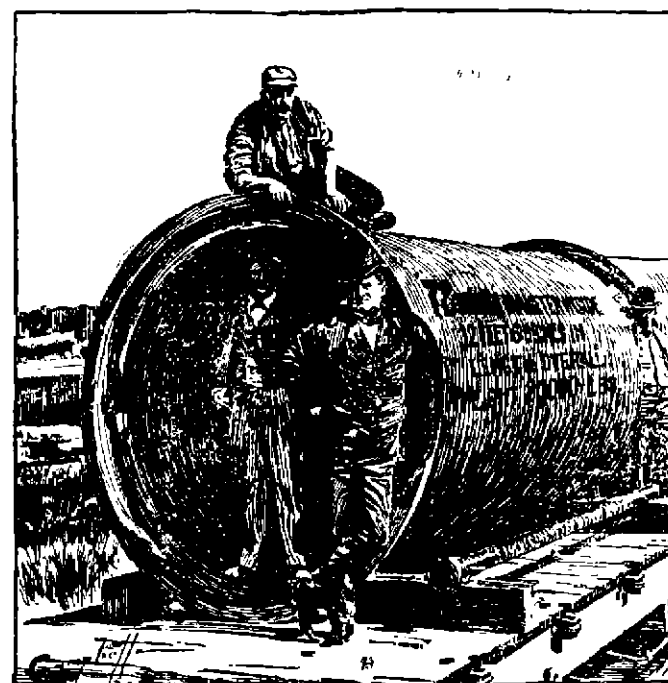
There has just been cast at Birmingham, Ala., an iron pipe so huge in size that a man six feet tall can stand up right in it. It is the biggest pipe ever cast in the world, and the accompanying illustration shows just how small man appears in it.

This Leviathan of pipes is 72 inches in diameter on the inside, 76 1/2 inches in diameter outside measurement, and 12 feet six inches long over all. The metal composing it weighs 20,000 pounds. It was cast for the New Orleans & Northern railroad and will form part of a big culvert of that line.

The task of casting a pipe of this size is a delicate as well as a very interesting one. The pipe is molded on

the whole is let stand for 12 hours so that it may become thoroughly cooled. The cooling process complete it now becomes evident why the pipe was used. The molten metal charred this rope without penetrating it, and the result is that, protected from adhesion by the buffer of hay, the core can be easily removed. At this point the great iron mold, which is made in halves and fastened together, is unclasped. The coating of sand has prevented the molten metal adhering to the shell and so the pipe stands complete as far as the first stage of casting is concerned.

Then the newly cast pipe is rolled into the shop where the sand on the outer surface is removed and the rough edges trimmed off. The polishers now try their hands on the pipe, and after their work is complete the giant is heated again, after which it is given a



LARGEST IRON PIPE EVER CAST IN THE WORLD.

end. In the beginning a great shell cast or mold is made of iron, coated inside with sand. In the middle of this is what is called a core, and this is held in position by means of pivots at the top and bottom. This secure fastening renders it certain that the space between the core and shell at every point will be the same.

The core itself may be made of iron or whatever material is preferred. Around it is wrapped a rope of hay in the same fashion that rope is wound about the drum of a great coil. Over this hay, mud and sand are spread until the surface is even and without irregularity. Over this is placed a black coating of pulverized coal, molasses and water. This gives the surface a smooth and polished appearance. The core is then dried over a furnace and placed in the shell previously described. This done, the mold is complete.

Now all is ready for the metal, and this is gradually poured inside the mold by means of what is known as a ladle. When the necessary amount of molten metal has been poured into the mold,

both of coal tar. This done, it is pulled out of the tar, dried and tested by a machine which forces water into it at a pressure of from 100 pounds to 500 pounds to the square inch. If it stands this test, the task is at an end. All this is what happened to the big iron pipe that was ever cast, and in spite of its great size it is declared to be without a flaw.

He Secured the Place.

"Want a situation as errand boy, do you? Well, can you tell me how far the moon is from the earth, eh?"

Boy—Well, guv'nor, I don't know, but I reckon it ain't near enough to interfere with me running errands.

He got the job.—Tit-Bits.

Other Way Around.

She—I cannot think what induced Jack to marry again after his first unfortunate experience. Once bitten twice shy, you know.

He—Perhaps if he had reversed it, and been once shy, he wouldn't have been twice bitten.—Harlem Life.

PERSONAL.

—Edgar Quinlan left this morning for Chicago to attend the grand opera.

—Rev. W. H. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Johnson are in Chicago to attend the Davis-Johnson wedding this evening.

—B. F. Ross and wife of Forsyth are in the city visiting Mr. Ross' brother, A. F. Ross of this city.

—Mrs. Shippa of South Bend, Ind., is in the city today on her way home from a trip through Texas. Mrs. Shippa is visiting her sister, Mrs. Chandler, in this city today.

—Will Gilkeson, who has been laid up a month or six weeks in his room on account of sickness, is able to be about again. His friends say the combination of St. Patrick's Day and the Republican primaries was too much for Gilk, and he had to come out.

—G. W. Scovill returned last night from St. Louis, where he had been on business.

The Modern American Fraternal Order will meet tonight at the G. A. R. hall.

—Thomas Billington, at his home, 531 North Water street, is very sick.

—Miss Bertha Hendricks arrived home today from Denver, Col., where she has been residing during the past four years.

A young girl named Mullen, 18 years old, is at Springfield. She claims to have been deserted by her mother, a Decatur woman.

L. H. Martin for Collector.

Landy H. Martin, the present incumbent, is announced today as a candidate for re-nomination for the office of township collector, subject to the action of the Republican convention. Mr. Martin has made a very acceptable collector—painstaking, zealous and courteous in his work, following closely the requirements of the law. He has made a good record. Mr. Martin is still busy going after personal property tax in person, and will not be able to call on the voters. He asks another term as has been the custom in the past, and urges his friends to go to the primaries Thursday from 4 to 7 p. m. and vote for L. H. Martin for collector.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Prices Quoted by Dealers in Live Stock and Poultry.

The following are the prices on grain quoted by the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator company: Wheat \$1 per bushel; white corn 27 to 28 cents, mixed corn 20 cents; white oats 23 and 24 cents per bushel, mixed oats 22 cents per bushel; rye 35 cents per bushel.

LIVE STOCK.

The following are the prices offered for live stock by Dannelsen & Sons. Hogs \$3.25 to \$3.75, cows and heifers \$2.75 to \$3.50, steers \$2.25 to \$4.25, sheep \$3 to \$3.50.

POULTRY.

The following are the quotations on poultry given by Max Atlas: Hens 6 cents per pound, springs 6 cents per pound, turkey hens 7 1/2 cents per pound, gobblers 5 1/2 cents per pound, Ducks, 4 ct.; geese, 4 ct. Eggs 7 cents per dozen.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

Max Atlas offers 8 1/2 cents per pound for hides and 3 cents per pound for tallow.

J. S. Busey, a pioneer citizen near Urbana, is dead.

OFFICIAL CALL.

The Republican township convention will be held Thursday evening, March 17, 1898. The polls will be open from 4 o'clock to 7 o'clock p. m. The districts will vote as follows:

First District—Street car barn.
Second—Corner King and Water.
Third—Waltz building (barber shop).
Fourth—Montgomery barn.
Fifth—Cannon's grocery.
Sixth—Deake's barn.
Seventh—Jacob's grocery.
Eighth—Court house.
Ninth—305 East Eldorado.
Tenth—Witt's building.
Eleventh—Knapp's grocery.
Twelfth—Edmund street chapel.
Thirteenth—Corner Packard and Church (grocery).
Fourteenth—McCrum's drug store.

The delegates from each precinct are as follows, being based on the Republican vote in the last county election: First district, 5; second district, 5; third district, 6; fourth district, 3; fifth district, 6; sixth district, 6; seventh district, 6; eighth district, 6; ninth district, 6; tenth district, 6; eleventh district, 3; twelfth district, 3; thirteenth district, 6; fourteenth district, 4.

No Democrats are to be permitted to vote in the primary convention.

The candidates receiving a plurality of the votes cast in any district will be given the votes of the delegates from that district. The convention to be held at the council rooms Friday evening, March 18, 1898.

D. A. Moffat, Chairman.

W. N. Andrews, Secretary.



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Exceptional showing of exquisite creations in dainty summer dress materials. The idea of exclusiveness is one for which we have the very highest regard and most women are appreciative of our efforts to make every dress distinctive. From a great stock we choose the following for detailed descriptions.

Ceylon Madras—32 inches wide—a handsome printed goods that comes in a generous assortment of plaid and stripe designs—at yd—15c

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So many sorts that it's difficult to individualize enough to enter into minute descriptions. Cold type can't tell of their sumptuous beauty—but they're just as bright and summery as a bed of spring flowers.

Ribbons, Sashes and Scarfs, almost all in exclusive patterns, and in all the colors that the rainbow ever knew—from the most delicate shades to hues which are positively incandescent.

Plaids are probably most popular and then come the Roman and Bayadere Stripes with the quieter checks and stripes a close third.

New things everywhere—here's one—

A Black Velvet Sash—six inches wide—three yards long—lined with hand some Taffeta silk—finished with heavy, five knotted fringe. This sells at—

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OUR NEIGHBORS.

SANGAMON

Abel Elser is on the sick list.

The Republican primary will be held at the school house in Oakley Saturday evening, March 19, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the spring election.

Anstin Durham accompanied his daughter, Rebecca, to Chicago last week, where she is receiving medical treatment.

Charles Swartz of Decatur moved into W. R. Kucker's house north of Sangamon Monday.

Frank Elser is nursing a pet in the shape of a large bull on his right hand.

Some of the farmers are taking stalks and preparing to sow their oats.

Shelton Mason is having a new house built. J. W. Walker is doing the work.

Mrs. Hammond south of Sangamon, is very low with Bright's disease and his death is looked for daily. He was operated upon last week but in spite of the operation seems to be growing weaker.

Mrs. W. B. Harner is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Cook, at Leroy. The little child of Mrs. Cook is ill.

Peter Durham has rented 40 acres of land of Mrs. Costello.

MAROA

Mrs. Kate Cooper and Miss Kate Wyckoff are visiting relatives at Covington, Ind.

Rev. D. D. Gifford, a returned missionary from Corea, preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning.

P. J. Huff returned Thursday from a visit at Lexington.

Miss Bertha Feres has returned from Ohio.

Dwight Rose of Nebraska is the guest of his grand parents, John Bowly and wife.

Mrs. Emma Flinn of Lincoln returned home Wednesday after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Hollingshead.

Miss Lottie Crowell entertained her Sunday school class at her home on Thursday evening.

Mrs. George Elliott returned Monday from Beason, accompanied by her little daughters, Marion and Pauline, who made an extended visit with an aunt at Beason.

A box of goods from India were on sale at the Methodist church Tuesday evening. A program was rendered and refreshments served. The proceeds of the supper were \$14 and go to replenish the treasury of the Epworth League. The proceeds from the sale of the India goods will be sent to India.

Miss Joe Buchanan of Former City is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Cox.

Frank Adams and family moved to the Whitner property in northwest part of town Tuesday.

Ebert Wright moved to the Clough property in Long's addition on Monday.

George Smart returned to St. Louis Monday, after a visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Andrew Brandt entertained a large company of friends in honor of her birthday anniversary Tuesday evening. There were over 60 guests. An elaborate supper was served at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Brandt received a set of china dishes and silver table spoons.

Thomas Gilliland of Moweaqua attended Mrs. Brandt's party on Tuesday evening.

CASNER

Charles Murray entertained company this week.

Miss Anna Butler of La Place was in our village Monday.

The Antiquated Owls will give a hop Thursday night. Place uncertain.

The Carman Davis wedding occurred Wednesday night. More particulars next week.

R. F. McDonald was drawn on the special venire on account of the Mazy trial.

There was a surprise on Tuesday evening on George J. Jory on account of his 25th birthday. A large number of invited guests were present.

The concert to have been given by the band on last Saturday evening was postponed until next Saturday, evening, March 19. It will be rendered much better than would have been 1st week as the boys will have the benefit of rehearsals this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bullard of Warrensburg are visiting with the family of their daughter, Mrs. J. E. Underwood.

The Republicans of this township will meet at the town hall Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates to be voted for at the coming spring election. There is to be a supervisor elected this year and all should see to it that they attend the primary.

Last week it was a crazy woman found, but this week it is a seeming crazy man. At least a stranger has been going through the community acting in a very queer manner. He has been chiefly in the vicinity of Prairie Hill.

MT. ZION

Mr. Bateman of our village was very much surprised one day this week by his two brothers visiting him from Walla Walla, whom he has been seen for 38 years they have obtained quite a good deal in appearance. Mr. Bateman did not know them.

Mrs. Sarah Ann Davidson is in Tennessee for the benefit of her health.

Lee Scott will soon be at work with his stump pulling machine.

There was no school Thursday afternoon on account of the illness of the teacher's mother-in-law, Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. Twiss of Lovington is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rinzings.

There was quite a number went to Decatur Saturday night to see the "Girl From Paris."

Mrs. Alice Coulman of Decatur visited over Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Filman.

The trustees of the village of Mt. Zion prefer darkness rather than light.

J. W. Pierce sang a solo at the M. E. church Sunday night.

The township convention will be held this week all Republicans invited.

Will Standage and family of Mt. Pleasant spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George White.

DALTON CITY.

William Murray of La Place was on our streets last week.

Leon Taylor of Bethany visited friends here last week.

EPISCOPAL INDIANS.

They Long Have Been Active in Their Church in Wisconsin.

The presence in Milwaukee of two full-blooded Indians, priests of the Episcopal church, during the meeting of the missionary council, caused considerable discussion among church people, and a little surprise. Few, even among Episcopalians, know that the Indian has had considerably to do with the church, particularly in this state.

On February 27, 1847, when Bishop Kemper issued the call to the clergy and laity of Wisconsin, it was not the white people alone who heard, considered and responded to that call. A short time before John Henry Hobart, who was one of the founders of the Methodist church, established a mission at Duck Creek, among the Oneida Indians, and on June 24, 1847, when the convention assembled, four of the thirty-five lay delegates were full-blooded Oneida Indians. Their presence in the council attracted the greatest attention, and resulted in the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the presence of our red brethren as deputies from Hobart church affords the highest pleasure to this convention, and it is the first time since the planting of the church in these United States that any of them have mingled in our councils, and we deem it a most gratifying circumstance."

Rev. Fayette Durin of Madison, one of those present, a speaking of the incident, states that one of the Indians whose name translated was "Bread," and who was the chief of the tribe responded through an interpreter. "The brief speech," says Mr. Durin, "was remarkable both on account of its expression and correctness and force of the language employed, an Indian always manages to say a great deal in a few words, knows when he has said it, and therefore he makes a sudden stop. Good thing if we could learn that ourselves."

The church at Duck Creek still flourishes and there are many Indian churchmen. One of the good Oneida Indians of the present day, according to Indian Agent George, who was in Milwaukee recently is John Oshkosh, son of the old chieftain whose name is perpetuated by the city. Oshkosh John is the chief of his tribe and he is virtually in charge of the Oneida reservation. The Indian agent resides on the Menominee reservation, near Shawano, and the Oneidas are 40 miles away. There are many cases in which Chief John is called to act, and he makes a splendid executive. "The Indian," says Mr. George, "is very childish. He looks upon the agent as capable of all things, and like a little child runs to him with all his troubles, but a dispute with his neighbor or a family quarrel of course the agent has all that he can do in the way of giving counsel and advice, and this is what Chief John does for the Oneidas except in cases where the agent is obliged for particular reasons to take a hand—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

Women love a clear, healthy complexion. Pure blood makes it. Burdock Blood Purifier makes pure blood. Sold by all druggists.

The errand and oddly named poor Jo Bo, 2.08, is credited with having gone a mile last season in 2.05.

Whoooping cough is the most distressing malady, but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A system in France levies a tax of 2 percent of the gross receipts on mutual betting, and in 1897 this tax amounted to 3,986,177 francs, or about \$797,125.

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The old campaigner New York Central, 1834, which has been racing ever since 1888, will be out again this season.

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The spring flood has come on the Illinois river, and the Flat Boat City dwellers of Peoria are preparing to move to higher ground.

"That Tired Feeling" overcomes us when inferior preparations are recommended by unscrupulous dealers as "just as good as Foley's Honey and Tar Cough Syrup," when we know the unequalled merits of this great cough medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

The old accounts of Clark Bros., formerly in the grocery business at Peoria, were sold by the assignee, \$400 worth of them going to E. J. Scott for \$17.

John Ashton was burned out the very day he moved to the Hall farm, near Monticello. He had recently purchased the place.

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A KLONDIKE BONANZA.

It is a Cave with a Summer Resort Temperature.

"Yes," said the man with a face that looked as if it had been exposed to a cold storage temperature for ten years, "yes, I left my partners up on the Klondike, about 20 miles from Dawson City, but they are all right. They sent me down here on business, and I've got a snap, I have. Of course, I'm not afraid of their freezing, they are as warm this minute as you are. They have been up there in the same place for two winters, too. Tell you about it? Certainly I will. You see, there were four of us, and we concluded to buy our interests and organize an anti-freeze-to-death trust. We had a claim apiece that was worth a barrel of money, and we wanted to stay right by them. We were the only people on the spot at that time, too, to amount to anything, so we had to depend on ourselves. Being a jack leg carpenter, the boys sent me out to select a site for our winter residence and I went up among the hills on a mountain side and began hunting a place where the wind would have some trouble in reaching us. As I was pottering around I struck a hole in the ground, and, after passing the rocks away and opening the opening, I got it so I could get in and in a few minutes I was back into the ground so far that I got scared and broke for daylight. Then I went after the boys, and we fixed ourselves with lights and proceeded to explore our discovery.

"The boys thought they were going to find gold and silver and diamonds, and pretty much everything else they wanted, including stocks and bonds, and after going back for nearly a mile and finding nothing except a coal seam or two and some springs—warm and cold—these began to jump me for taking them away from their mining to waste a lot of time wandering around the inside of the earth, it nothing per wander. I let them growl awhile and then I stopped them and told them they were a lot of blind old fools, for the cave was our salvation. They gave me the laugh but I turned them down and proceeded to show them how we could put up our black in there where the temperature was the same year round, and never far from 50 degrees, no matter how cold it got outside. And so on, till they were all broke up and began to look upon me as their benefactor, and agreed to do anything I said.

"This was in September, and the weather was decent enough for a time, but we went right to work, and after building a blind shack over the mouth of the cave we took timber inside and put us up a four-room palace in there with a kitchen and stove in it, and a stone grate in our living room. It wasn't elegant as a royal drawing room, perhaps, but it was cozy and comfortable, and when we went to sleep at night we knew we were not going to freeze before daylight. We put our backs close to the coal seam and as near the springs as we could, and we had fuel and hot and cold water handy. We hadn't much fresh food but we had plenty, such as it was, and as the weather got colder, we began to realize what a snap we had. Indeed, after the 1st of December we didn't go outside at all for 70 days.

"When we did come out again the sunshine, even the kind it was, was a blessing, and we thought we would stay out till the weather froze us in again, but by heaven, the mosquitoes swooped down on us one night and we took to the cave to get rid of them. It was a glorious sleeping place, and then we made up our mind we might as well become cave dwellers altogether.

"And why shouldn't we, with all the modern conveniences including hot baths in the natural water?

"I left the boys in November coming, fortably fixed for the winter and with plenty to eat and to wear and to read and to be happy with, and I came away and have been busy ever since my arrival in the states organizing a hotel company to take the cave and open it as a miners' resort at fair prices. There's money in it, and we can give a clear title reserving a portion for our private residence. Affidavit? Of course I've got an affidavit. I don't look like a man who would tell a lie about one little cave, do I?"—Washington Star.

An Unknown Speaker. The pastel portrait of ex-Speaker Keifer, which hangs in the rear lobby of the house, with the gallery of portraits of former speakers, is slowly fading out. The collar in the portrait retains its pristine whiteness, but the shirt front has turned to a dull yellow.

Ex-Speaker Keifer's portrait hangs on one side of the portrait of the late Judge Crisp, which now occupies the position of honor over the mantle half way across the lobby. On the other side of Judge Crisp's portrait is the portrait of Mr. Blaine, which is also in a stick and a magnificent work of its kind. It is not generally known that the portrait of Speaker Reed was never hung in the position of honor over the mantle referred to, as the light there was not fitting. On the other side of the square projection in the lobby on which the present speaker's portrait hangs there are two or three ex-speakers of whom there are no portraits in the lobby, and no one knows the name of this one. His dress shows that he was a statesman of the early school and that he must have flourished during the first years of the republic.—Washington Post.

Dime Museum Repaired. Left Head of the Human Tandem (to the Human Knot, checklog)—That man who just passed thought he was funny when he asked if I and me partner weren't "fast friends," but we went him one better.

The Human Knot—How so? "I told him 'Yes, we had been 'boys together'."—Puck.

THE UNITED STATES IS FIFTH.

The Position of This Country Among the Naval Powers.

The United States now ranks fifth among the naval powers of the earth, and is a tie with Germany. England is first, France second, Russia a third and Italy fourth. The German navy is better supplied with torpedo boats than that of the United States but we are a little ahead in battle ships and cruisers. Taking one consideration with another, however, there is very little difference. When the Kentucky, Kearsarge, Illinois and the other vessels now building are afloat we shall surpass Germany, but the Germans, however, have a magnificent scheme for the development of their navy and the recent episode in China were planned for the purpose of stimulating the interest of their parliament and the people. If the emperor's programme is carried out Germany will spend \$200,000,000 in naval construction during the next nine or ten years—an average of about \$20,000,000 a year for battle ships, cruisers, coast defense monitors and other fighting materials and will run away ahead of us and take the second place. In 1906 the German navy will be increased to 17 battle ships of the first class, eight coast-defense vessels, nine first-class cruisers and 20 second-class cruisers. The battle ships will be the most formidable in the world, and are to cost \$5,000,000 each, the cruisers \$1,000,000 each and the small cruisers \$1,000,000 each. The appropriation for the year amounts to \$9,000,000, and will be spent in the construction of three first-class battle ships, one first-class armored cruiser, five second-class protected cruisers, two gunboats, eight torpedo boats and one torpedo-boat destroyer.

During the present year Russia will spend \$7,500,000 for her naval establishment. She is now under construction nine battle ships, two coast-defense vessels, two armored cruisers, four protected cruisers, four gunboats and 40 torpedo boats.

Great Britain, however, as usual is outdoing all the nations in naval construction, and during the present year will spend \$26,500,000. She has now under construction 117 vessels and several of them will be completed before next January 1st. Fifteen battle ships, 12 first-class cruisers, nine second-class cruisers, ten third-class cruisers, six twin-screw gunboats, 56 torpedo-boat destroyers, eight light-draught gunboats and one royal yacht. Great Britain has to-day in its catalogue of ships under construction a fleet as fine as that of the United States, Italy, Germany or any other nation except France and Russia.—Chicago Record.

THE SOUTH AND YELLOW FEVER

Look to the South from Defective Local Quarantine Regulations.

The numerous and conflicting and many justness ridiculous quarantine regulations formulated by state, county and municipal authorities and enforced with penalties by excited and inexperienced men aided in some cases by the plague during the epidemic of yellow fever which has just passed in the Gulf states, the inter-lake rail of the continent and railway interests and in the end the complete failure to arrest the passage of the contagion from town to town, and from state to state form a telling object lesson, which must convince the strictest supporters of state autonomy, that the federal government should take entire and complete control of quarantine in these several states.

Illustrations of confusion and conflict of sanitary and quarantine regulations during the recent epidemic were to be found everywhere in the territory involved. Unreasonable quarantine restrictions were imposed. One state quarantined against another state and one town against another town. One or two small villages in Alabama and Mississippi quarantined even against the world. Travel was interfered with or wholly suspended, commerce was paralyzed throughout Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, and greatly hampered in all contiguous states, where the movement of railway trains in these states was either entirely forbidden or limited. The United States was walled up, and more than 1,000,000 people of state and local boards of health for a brief period were in a state of alarm as to whether they were compatible with the order and the absence of a formal regulation imposed upon them.

Thus upon the traveling public in the United States interested. The loss to the country must be as much as the interest of the states. The south was on the very threshold of prosperity, and these were abundant. A yield, manufactures were springing up and now life in the south was allowed to spread, and a panic among the people of the south, and every enterprise in the section. State and municipal authorities found themselves unable to cope with the disease or to stamp it out because they lacked experience in the enforcement of sanitary rules and regulations.—Dr. C. M. Drake, in North American Review.

An Ignorant Teacher. William—Say, pa, didn't you tell me the other day that it was wrong to strike anyone smaller than yourself? Pa—Yes, Will; that's what I said. Well, I wish you'd write my teacher a note to that effect. I don't think she knows about it.—Chicago Evening News.

Modern Improvements. Perry Patience—What is these here bathrobes they advertise in the papers? Wayborn Watson—I give it up, unless it's some sort of rubber coat to keep water from getting on a guy when he takes a bath because it is the style.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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A MAN puts his hat on last, but it makes or mars his whole appearance. A Stetson Hat is the fitting climax to the well-dressed man. Gives just the right finishing touch to his attire and makes his tailor feel he has not lived in vain. Stiff and Soft Hats are equally good and graceful.

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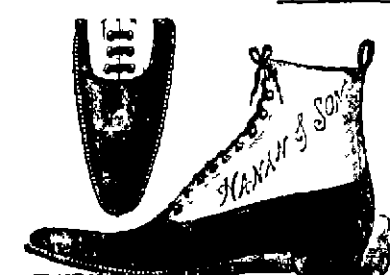
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\$1.23 for \$1.75 Sterling Silver Hollow Handled Knives.	
\$2.60 for \$4.50 Sterling Silver Berry Spoons, gold bowls.	
\$2.60 for \$4.50 Sterling Silver Gravy Ladles, gold bowls.	
\$.95 for \$1.75 Sterling Silver Butter Knives.	
\$.59 for \$1.00 Sterling Silver Engraved Napkin Rings.	
\$4.38 for \$6.50 Child's Sterling Silver Mug, gold lined.	
\$1.10 for \$1.65 Child's Sterling Silver Forks.	
\$1.18 for \$1.75 Sterling Silver Teaspoons, enameled handles, gold plated all over.	
\$1.18 for \$1.75 Sterling Silver Sugar Spoons, gold bowls, in case.	
\$1.55 for \$3.50 Sterling Silver Cheese Scoops, gold bowls, in case.	
\$.43 for \$.60 Sterling Silver Teaspoons.	
\$.53 for \$.75 Sterling Silver Teaspoons.	
\$1.07 for \$1.75 Sterling Silver Olive Spoons, gold bowls, in case.	
\$1.07 for \$1.75 Sterling Silver Olive Spoons, gold pierced bowl, in case.	
\$.93 for \$1.50 Sterling Silver Bon Bon Spoon, gold bowl, in enameled silk lined box.	
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LOCAL NEWS.

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Dunlap & Co's Spring Styles for 1898 now on sale at Honon, Mc Reynolds & Co. Feb 25-414

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Do you want plastering done? If so telephone 538, new phone Decatur Hard Plaster Co. Perry & Oren—5-414

Go to Spencer & Lehman's for garden seeds. They are now in receipt of large invoices of fresh seeds from the most reliable houses in the country.—m1-d&w

Chicago Girl—What would you do if you were in my shoes? St. Louis Girl—I'd get lost, I'm afraid.

At 223 North Main street the largest stock of fresh bulk Garden Seed; also the greatest assortment of Flower Seeds ever brought to Decatur. Sweet Peas and Nasturtiums in bulk. Durfee & Culp. Feb 9-414

Fresh caught roe shad, black bass, crappie, bay herring, rock bass, cat and eel, at Pearl Oyster and Fish Company. Telephone, old and new, 344—14-414

This is the 13th anniversary of the wedding of Officer Leach and wife. Ed says it does not seem as though he had been married 12 years. He is on duty as usual.

Company M of Champaign received new equipments this week.

Go to Spencer & Lehman's, corner of Wood and Main streets, for fine and medium grade buggies, surreys, phaetons, road wagons, roadsters, spring wagons, farm wagons—m1-d&w

The police picked up a stray horse last night on the levee. The horse had a halter on. It was a dark colored, medium sized horse in good condition. The officers do not think it belongs in that neighborhood.

Funeral of Miss Fulk.

The funeral of Miss Dora Fulk was held Wednesday at the North Fork church, Rev. A. M. Dancy officiating. The pall bearers were H. W. Davis, Elmer Fletcher, Ed Fulk, P. Davis, Arlie Fulk and Albert Rike.

Shells for Everybody.

Blue point shell oysters. Fresh consignment in today, at 216 North Main st.—14-414

Gave Their Last Dance.

The members of the Fellowship club gave their last dance of the season last evening at the Guards armory. It was the most elaborate dance that the club has given this season. At the close the members disbanded.

For One Week.

All sterling silver articles will be sold at half price for one week at Curtis Bros.—14-414

Funeral of Mrs. Brown.

The funeral of Mrs. Martha Brown was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Union church. The services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Miller of the Congregational church and there was a large attendance.

Tax Office Open.

On account of the Wabash pay day (Thursday) the tax collector's office will be open Friday and Saturday of this week and until 9 o'clock at night.

—16-43 L. H. Martin, Collector

Republican Township Convention.

The Republicans of Friends Creek township will meet in convention Saturday, March 19, at 3 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of nominating candidates for the township offices. E. B. Thomas, Chairman, F. R. Query, Secretary.—2-4&w

Oakley Republican Primary.

The Republicans of Oakley township are requested to meet at the Oakley school house on Saturday evening, March 19, 1898, at seven o'clock, for the purpose of selecting candidates for the several township offices to be filled at the annual town meeting, to be held April 5th, and the selection of a township chairman for the ensuing term. All Republicans are urged to be present. EDWIN HUFF, Chairman.

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NO JURY YET SECURED

To Try Joseph Mauzy for the Murder of Mat McKinley.

EIGHT JURYMEN ARE NOW ACCEPTED

Work of Examining Talesmen is Drawing to a Close---Jurymen Were Found More Quickly Than Expected---Interesting Part of the Case Will Now Begin---Many Witnesses to be Examined.

The following are the jurors who have been secured to try Mauzy

ALBERT BUCKMAN, miner, Decatur.

ASA CLOTHIER, watchman, Decatur.

JACOB HANES, retired farmer, Decatur.

W. B. HUFFAKER, grocery clerk, Decatur.

EDWARD M. CHAPMAN, carpenter, Decatur.

GEORGE F. ALBERT, farmer, Illinois township.

FRANK CRAYCROFT, farmer, Wheatland township.

THOMAS BANKSON, carpenter, Blue Plound.

Court convened this morning at 9 o'clock and the work of securing jurors in the murder case was rapidly carried on. Three men who had been accepted last night by the defense were also accepted by the prosecution. One man, Jacob Hanes, was taken by Mr. Leforge without being asked any questions. About 20 talesmen were examined this forenoon. Edward Chapman was a particularly good jurymen. He knew scarcely anything of the case and stood the examination and cross examination well. Just half of the jury will be Decatur men and the rest will be from different townships. The jurymen represent all occupations that there are more of them farmers. The work of examining talesmen dragged along slowly on Monday and Tuesday. Yesterday after noon Judge Vall objected to the long examinations and insisted that the lawyers hurry a little.

There were not many persons in the court room today outside of the men who had been drawn as talesmen. As soon as the introduction of evidence is started the room will probably be crowded every day. Mauzy occupied his usual place at the table today. His actions were the same as they have been. He listened to all that was going on but did not seem to be particularly interested. His father, John Mauzy, was also in the court room today and held frequent conferences with the attorneys.

Attorney Hugh Crea for the prosecution was not feeling well today and was only in the court room for a few minutes. In his place was State's Attorney I. R. Mills, who relieved Mr. Leforge in the examination of talesmen.

When court took a recess at noon eight jurymen had been accepted by both sides, four had been passed on by the prosecution and three of these the defense had temporarily passed on and the four were being examined.

Morning Session.

At the opening of the morning session Mr. Leforge began with the examination of the following:

S. E. Bear of Bearsdale—Knew about the case and had formed an opinion which would require evidence to remove. Challenged for cause.

J. B. Cade of Maroa—Read a little about the case but had not formed any definite opinion. Was interested in a case in which Mr. Johns was concerned. Could not say that he would feel prejudice one way or the other. Challenged peremptorily.

George Miller of Maroa—Conduct a grocery store at Maroa. Read about the case in the newspapers. Formed an opinion and had expressed it. Talked about the case recently with a petit juror in the L'ance case. Had formed an opinion in regard to Mauzy before holding the conversation and think it would require evidence to remove that opinion. Challenged for cause.

Charles Bartley of Decatur—Formed an opinion based on conversation held in regard to case and from reading the newspaper. Expressed opinion and think it would require evidence to remove it.

A. J. Johns—Am a carpenter and 55 years old. Read in the papers about the case and have formed an opinion and expressed it. Never talked to witnesses about it. Evidence would be required to remove opinion. Challenged for cause.

E. Strader of Decatur—Lived in Decatur at time McKinley was killed. Wasn't in the court room during Fannoe's trial. Never read much because have trouble with eyes. Couldn't read court instructions if finely printed. Challenged for cause.

Edward M. Chapman of Decatur—Resided in the city since 1895. Know nothing about the case and read little about it recently. Never talked to anyone about it. Don't know Joe or John Mauzy nor

Mr. Johns or Mr. Buckingham. Was never a juror or witness in a murder case. Heard William Shockey talk about the case. He didn't express any opinion as to the guilt or innocence of anyone. He married six years and am a carpenter. No reason why I should not try the case impartially.

TENDERED TO DEFENSE

Mr. Leforge then tendered Chapman to the defense and accepted the other three, Hanes, Clothier and Huffaker. Mr. Johns then took up the examination of Mr. Chapman as follows:

Did not know a woman in the south part of town named Chapman who was connected with the case. Have no relatives by name of Chapman in this county. Know Mr. Leforge and Mr. Mills when I see them, but never had any business transactions with them. Do not know Mr. Crea. Would be willing to acquit Mauzy unless it were proved beyond a doubt that he was guilty. The fact that he was indicted would not have any influence. Am without any impression as to Mauzy. Don't know Barney or Frank McKinley nor Cash Fannoe. Have no prejudice against an alien as a defense. Would start in case pursuing Mauzy was innocent.

Don't read the Decatur papers very much. Have no knowledge whatever who are the witnesses in the case. Do not know Vanish, McWhitney or Mr. Shockey.

Mr. Johns accepted Mr. Chapman making eight jurors. In all accepted by both sides. Jacob Hanes was accepted by Mr. Leforge without asking any questions.

ON THE LAST FOUR

Attorney I. R. Mills for the prosecution then took up the examination of the last four as follows:

G. W. Soland of Boody—Am a merchant. Read some of the newspaper accounts but have formed no opinion and have not expressed any. Acquainted with the lawyers in the case but have no relations with any of them that would have any influence. Do not know of any reason if selected as a juror that would prevent me from trying the case impartially.

Charles J. Jones of Decatur—Known Joe Mauzy for a number of years. Have formed an opinion which would require evidence to remove it. Challenged for cause.

L. G. Pasley of Boody—Never formed any opinion as to who killed McKinley. Know Mauzy when he lived in Decatur. Read some of the newspaper accounts. Have known Mauzy for the past seven years and do not know of anything to prejudice me against or in favor of Mauzy. Am 34 years old an unmarried man. Have formed no opinion and expressed it. Never talked to witnesses about it. Evidence would be required to remove opinion. Challenged for cause.

Ed Dowling of Decatur—Am a baker by trade, formed and expressed opinion which would require testimony to remove. Challenged for cause.

Ed Smith of Decatur—Have been a telegraph operator since 1887. Lived in Decatur several years. Did not know anything of the murder of McKinley until the matter was taken up by the newspapers. Have formed no opinion and expressed it.

O. H. Whitsett of Decatur—Was in the city when McKinley was killed. Have formed an opinion as to the case and have expressed it. Challenged for cause.

Albert Martin of Decatur—Have formed an opinion and have often expressed it and sworn testimony would not change. Challenged for cause.

J. A. Kook of Decatur—Resided in Decatur when McKinley was killed and have read of the case. Have a fixed opinion as to who killed McKinley and have expressed it several times. Challenged for cause.

Samuel Campbell of Niantic—Lived in

the county when McKinley was killed and have read and heard a good deal about the case. Have formed a fixed opinion. Challenged for cause.

Daniel Moore of Decatur—Resided in Decatur for 42 years. Familiar with the facts in connection with the murder. Challenged for cause.

C. F. Miner of Decatur—Lived in Decatur four years and never heard of McKinley murder until recently. Read part of the accounts which have been published. Have not heard anyone talk about it. Have no opinion as to guilt or innocence of Mauzy and do not know him. His father. Have not talked with anyone about case never connected with trial in murder case and do not know the law. Reside at 1002 East Dillard street. I am a printer and wall paper hanger.

E. D. Carter of Decatur—Am a farmer. Decatur was present a few months after the murder occurred. I have a fixed opinion. Challenged for cause.

James Veale of Decatur—Was in the city at the time McKinley was killed. Read about the case and heard of the trial. Heard so much both ways would be hard to tell whether have an opinion or not. Formed some opinions and they still hang over me. Exp. said them as they extent. Have doubts as to my opinion.

Mr. Mills asked Mr. Veale whether he could try the case on the evidence and he didn't know. Mr. Veale had on a green necktie and wore a spray of shamrock. Judge Vall suggested that Mr. Mills ask Mr. Veale what day of the month it was and Mr. Buckingham asked if it was March 17. Finally Mr. Veale said he was afraid to say whether or not he could try the case impartially as the was challenged for cause.

F. B. Ritchie of Warrensburg—Read of the case and discussed it but had not reached any conclusion as to who killed McKinley. Don't remember of having expressed opinion but quite likely that he joined in discussions on the subject. Don't know Joe Mauzy but know his father. Challenged peremptorily.

C. D. Nowlin of Austin township—Am a married man and was living in this county at time of murder. Read all that appeared in the newspapers recently. Have an opinion of fixed nature but could try the case impartially. Never expressed an opinion on the case but thought a good deal about it. Could try the case impartially. Never had any business relations with any of the lawyers or the defense.

TENDERED FOR

Mr. Mills tendered the following talesmen: L. J. Pasley of Boody, G. W. Soland of Boody, C. J. Miner of Decatur, C. D. Nowlin of Austin township.

Mr. Buckingham examined the last four. He questioned G. W. Soland and asked what he had read in the papers and as to whether he had read of the case. Mr. Soland said he had read that a petition was on file to secure Fannoe's pardon. He said that this Mauzy was sheriff that was never a juror. Saw Joe Mauzy once shortly after he was married. Mauzy was a young lady whom I knew in a family with her family. Am acquainted with Mr. Mills and went to him to let him transact my legal business. But I acquainted with him then with other lawyers but would not be influenced in this fact. Would be willing to consider Mauzy innocent until it was proved that he was guilty and would give him the benefit of a doubt. Have not the slightest prejudice against Mauzy and have no prejudice against an alien as a defense.

L. J. Pasley—Know John Mauzy and know Joe Mauzy and am on friendly terms with them. No unpleasant feeling of any kind between myself and them. Don't know any of the lawyers or witnesses in this case. Never heard any discussion about the witnesses in the case and have not the slightest prejudice against Mauzy. Would be willing to start in with the presumption that Mauzy was innocent.

C. D. Nowlin—Could try the case impartially. My father was for man of the grand jury which indicted Mauzy. He did not tell me how he voted on the indictment. We talked some about the case. Did not talk of any particular witness.

C. F. Miner—Heard statements made about the case, but did not decide whether

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CABINET MEETING

Administration Representatives in Conference.

CUBA IS THE TOPIC

Anxious for the Court of Inquiry Report.

Senator Gallinger on the Situation—Distress and Destitution Everywhere, Beyond Medicine or Food—More Money.

Washington, March 18—At today's cabinet meeting the fact developed that the report of the Maine court of inquiry is not expected before the early part of next week. Almost the entire session was consumed in the discussion of the Cuban question. It is believed very soon after the Maine report is received the president, possibly in conjunction with congress, will announce a definite policy. The war department was allotted today about \$3,000,000 from the new \$50,000,000 appropriation to be expended in carrying on coast defense work as heretofore laid down. The department has information that Spain has not yet secured the Italian cruiser Varese.

Senator Gallinger on Cuba.

Washington, March 18—Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire who just returned from Cuba says: "The utter wretchedness, destitution and [filthiness] of that country as far as he had opportunity to observe it, is indescribable. He had not expected to find it half so bad. From the best information of reliable sources he estimates that the result of Spain's brutal policy and the tragedy of the day to day. The Red Cross is furnishing some relief, but most of the people are beyond the reach of either medicine or food."

Senator Gallinger expressed a very poor opinion of the Spanish soldiers in Cuba, as antagonists in the field of battle. As to the Maine disaster, the universal opinion except among those entirely under Spanish influence, is that it was the result of outside agency.

The Montgomery.

Key West, Fla., March 18—The cruiser Montgomery arrived this morning from Havana. The steamer Arkansas arrived this morning from Havana with Senator Money and Congressman A. J. Cummings and William Alden Smith on board.

Orders for Ammunition.

Santa Cruz, Cal., March 18—The California powder works has received orders from the navy department for 2,000,000 pounds of brown prismatic powder followed by an order for 800,000 pounds for immediate delivery. Six months will be required to fill the orders, even with additional machinery in course of construction by the company.

What Does Spain Mean?

Madrid, March 18—The Imperialist says: "Instructions sent to the torpedo fleet to remain at the Canary Islands were due to the government's desire that the squadron be escorted to Cuban water by a cruiser, and for no other purpose."

Old Glory in Place.

Gravesend, March 18—The cruiser Amazonas was formally transferred from the Brazilian flag to the stars and stripes this morning, the Brazilians hoisting down their flag and Lieutenant Colwell the naval attache of the American legation, taking possession, running up "Old Glory."

Weyler's Denial.

Madrid, March 18—Weyler denies the authenticity of the letter published in the New York Journal yesterday in which he is alleged to have said that the United